GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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DEATHS DUE TO FALL IN MANHOLES AND SEWERS
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of children/persons injured/died/survived due to falling in open manholes, bore-wells and sewers in Delhi during each of the last three years, separately;

(b) whether the Government has taken any action against the responsible officials of civic agency;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the steps taken by the Government to check such incidents in future?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHR1MATI V. RADHIKA SELVI)

(a): The number of children/persons reported to have injured and died in Delhi due to falling in open manholes, bore-wells and severs during the last three years is as under:

Year	Children		Persons (other than children)	
	Injured	Died	Injured	Died
2004	-	2	-	2
2005	-	2	1	1
2006	-	2	-	-
2007 (upto 31.7.2007	1	3	-	3

(b) & (c): These incidents were inquired into and three municipal employees were removed from municipal services.

(d): To check such incidents in future, necessary care is being taken to ensure that the manholes of the covered drains are kept in order and instructions have been issued for providing railings on both sides of the open drains/nallahs and also to provide/replace the manhole covers on all covered drains.